

STATE FAIR TO BE DIRECTED BY W.P.SOUTHARD IS BELIEVED CERTAIN

President of Electric Light
Company Writes R. E. Put-
ney That Local Manager Will
Be Loaned to Enterprise.

GOVERNOR McDONALD TO MAKE APPOINTMENT

Retiring Director Believes This
Year's Exposition Will Quite
Equal That of Last Year, Is
Statement.

W. P. Southard, manager of the
Albuquerque Gas, Electric Light &
Power company, is to be the next
president of the New Mexico State
Fair; that is, if Mr. Southard will
accept the position and the responsi-
bility as Governor McDonald yester-
day assured R. E. Putney, retir-
ing director of the fair, that he
would be more than glad to place
Mr. Southard in the position in
response to the request that had
been made by the president of the
1915 commission and numerous
friends and business acquaintances
of Mr. Southard.

Southard Makes Statement.

An attempt was made last night to
secure from Mr. Southard a statement
as to what action he will take when
the formal commission reaches him,
but he refused to commit himself
other than to say that the forces
which will determine him in either
accepting or refusing the position are
entirely outside his control, but that
as soon as the formal commission is
received he will immediately place him-
self in a position where he will feel
satisfied to assume the work con-
nected with the presidency of the
fair. Those who have been urging
Mr. Southard to accept the position
believe that the conditions under
which he will consent to be named
a member of the fair commission will
be met and that within a few days
a new commission will be going over
the ground with the idea of deter-
mining what the prospects are for a
successful state fair.

State Fair or None at All.

Mr. Southard did not last evening
say if he takes the position offered
him his aim will be to hold just as
large and successful a fair this year
as was held in 1915. He asserted
that under no condition can the fair
be allowed to go backward, and that
by all means the fair must be a state
fair in every particular, with every
county of the state participating, and
with the citizens of Albuquerque
working with and for every other
community in New Mexico. "We
have spent thirty-six years in reach-
ing the size and dignity of a state
fair, and nothing less than a state
fair will satisfy us," he said. "We
realize that the fair should be a
state fair, and that within a few days
a new commission will be going over
the ground with the idea of deter-
mining what the prospects are for a
successful state fair."

Appointee Is Husher.

The man who is being urged to as-
sume the presidency has been a resi-
dent of New Mexico for a number of
years, a greater part of his residence
having been spent in Las Vegas. Mr.
Southard came to Albuquerque two
years ago and immediately entered
into the public life of the city and
its public organizations with a zeal
and ability which at once marked him
as a valuable asset to Albuquerque.
But a few months after taking up
his residence here he was elected a
director of the Commercial club, his
which position he still holds. His
special recommendation for a place
on the club directorate was his rec-
ord as president of the East Las
Vegas Commercial club. As head of
that organization, he brought it into
new power and usefulness and dem-
onstrated his ability as a leader and
a hustler. Since coming to Albuquer-
que Mr. Southard has given much of
his time and effort to every move-
ment that has been for the public
good, until he has become marked
as a worker who will never say quit
until results are secured. Those who
know him consider that his selection
for the presidency of the fair is an ideal
one and that the fate of the 1916 ex-
position is safe in his hands.

Headquarters Appealed To.

Even the securing of Mr. Southard
as a possibility for the state fair pre-
sidency was fraught with considerable
difficulty, and had not R. E. Putney
tackled the matter with his usual
forcefulness, the fair would certainly
have to do without the services of the
manager of the Electric company.
Some days ago Mr. Putney called a
meeting of a few men most vitally
interested in the fair and broached
the matter of a new commission. It
was agreed that the right man for
the place would be difficult to find.
Southard was mentioned, but when
approached he flatly declined and as-
serted that even should he desire to
accept, the taking on of such a re-
sponsibility could not be considered
in view of the fact that his first busi-
ness allegiance is to the Federal
Light & Traction company, which is
the owner of the local public utility
concern.

Federal President Pleaded.

Believing Mr. Southard to be the
logical man for the job, and feeling
that there was much at stake, Mr.
Putney took up the matter of the
appointment with the president of
the Federal Light & Traction com-
pany, Mr. E. N. Sanderson. Accord-
ingly a letter was dispatched outlining
the position of the state fair, calling

THE WEATHER

WEATHER FORECAST.

Denver, April 3.—New Mexico:
Monday partly cloudy, rain north por-
tion by night; Tuesday unsettled and
colder.

LOCAL WEATHER REPORT.

For twenty-four hours, ending at
6 p. m. yesterday.
Maximum temperature, 64 degrees;
minimum, 28 degrees; range, 36 de-
grees; temperature at 6 p. m., 58 de-
grees; southwest wind; clear.

attention to the fact that Albuquer-
que is going to ask for an adequate
state appropriation next year to sup-
port the fair and that the success or
failure of the 1916 fair will have ev-
erything to do with the securing of
funds to support the appropriation.
Mr. Sanderson was told that Mr.
Southard's ability is held in high es-
teem by the citizens of Albuquerque,
and that it looked very much as
though it was a matter of having
Southard for president or having no
fair.

Letter From President.

"Federal Light & Traction Co.,
"50 Broadway
New York.
"March 28th, 1916.
"R. E. Putney, Esq.,
"Albuquerque, N. M.
"My Dear Mr. Putney:

"The receipt of your welcome let-
ter of the 23rd inst. was most accept-
able.

"You can well understand that the
demands upon the time of a Manager
of a Public Utility Corporation are
many and varied and that success is
secure only by keeping everlast-
ingly at it, and that to relieve Mr.
Southard from his duties must be re-
garded as a real sacrifice on our
part, yet, at the same time, when an
opportunity comes demanding sacri-
fices, we should try, of course, to
do our part. We are anxious to have
the people of Albuquerque feel that
we are interested in their affairs and
that that interest is not an entirely
selfish one; and further, in view of
the fact that they selected for their
petitioner the most persuasive citi-
zen of them all, we gratefully and
wholeheartedly bow to your request
and grant it, as we advised you by
telegram last evening.

"We realize that the burden being
assumed by Mr. Southard in this
matter is a very heavy one and we
will, of course, be most anxious that
the fair of 1916, to be held under his
administration, will compare favor-
ably with that under the jurisdiction
of his eminent predecessor.

"Now that we have decided in your
favor, we propose to be generous in
(Continued on Page Eight.)

U. S. MARINES SENT ASHORE AT CHINESE PORT

Fear of Disorders Growing Out
of Change of Government
Causes American Officer to
Take Extra Precautions.

BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE

Peking, April 2.—Marines from the
United States gunboat Wilmington
went ashore today at Swatow, where
the Chinese troops have declared their
independence of the central govern-
ment. The detachment reconnoitered
and found the city quiet. A Chinese
gunboat also is anchored off Swatow,
which is a seaport of Kwang Tung
province, 120 miles south of Amoy.

President Yuan Shi Kai today is-

sent a mandate, announcing that the
state council must continue acting as
a legislative body until parliament is
regularly elected, in accordance with
the provisional constitution of the
Chinese republic.

TRAFFIC FALLS OFF ON

ACCOUNT OF DISORDERS

Canton, April 2.—River traffic be-
tween Canton and inland ports is
gradually falling off in volume owing
to the unsettled conditions in many
of the districts.

Business in the old city virtually
has been suspended, and the people
continue in a state of excitement.
Shop doors are being kept half open
and in readiness to close at a mo-
ment's notice.

It is understood the rebels refuse

to make peace until Yuan Shi Kai re-
signs from the presidency.

General Lung Chi Kuang, military
commander of the Canton district,
has been superseded. The general is
making preparations to withstand a
siege.

A heavy exodus of the population

of the city continues. Some persons
are going inland, while others are
traveling toward Hong Kong and
Macao.

AMOI, APRIL 2.—Chang Chow Fu,

one of the largest cities of China, has
declared its independence of the gov-
ernment of Yuan Shi Kai.

The officials at Amoy have sent a
request to the American consul ask-
ing that an American warship be sent
to this port.

Chang Chow Fu is a city of about
300,000 inhabitants in Fo Kien prov-
ince, twenty-four miles northwest of
Amoy, which is its port. It is a seat
of the silk manufacture and has ex-
tensive iron works in connection with
the neighboring mines.

SEVENTH CAVALRY BELIEVED CLOSE TO FINDING PLACE OF PANCHE VILLA

Troopers Are Riding Night and
Day Through Blizzards
Weather in Pursuit of Mex-
ico's Robin Hood.

MOTOR TRAIN FROM COLUMBUS THREATENED

Extra Guard of Infantrymen
Accompany Supplies For-
warded for the American
Forces Under Pershing.

BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE

Columbus, N. M., April 2.—North
from the town of Guerrero and east
of the line of the Mexico North-
western railroad, through arroyos and
canyons of the Sierra Tarahumara,
American cavalrymen of the Seventh
cavalry are riding night and day
seeking "Pancho" Villa, according to
latest reports received from field
headquarters at Columbus, N. M.

Rumors of Capture.

Little information concerning the
pursuit filtered over the border today
and nothing definite was received
from official sources. There were per-
sistent reports, however, that the
forces of Colonel Dorr had captured
the man who was once the "Robin
Hood" of Mexico, but because of the
difficulty in communication have
been unable to make a report. Late
advice from the camp of General J.
J. Pershing at the front stated that
the track of a vehicle believed to be
the carriage carrying Villa in his
flight had been discovered.

Encounter Heavy Gale.

Other advice said that the Ameri-
can cavalrymen were riding through
the mountains in the teeth of a heavy
gale, which, now mixed with snow
and now with drizzling rain, cut
through the army blouse and sweater
into the very vitals of the men, but
that not a single man indicated a de-
sire to give up the search.

Threatened Motor Trains.

Army men here were considerably
disturbed today by numerous warn-
ings from confidential sources that
Villa's adherents are gathering in
the Chihuahua desert, both north and
south of Acconson and near the mo-
tor trail leading from Columbus to
Carrizosa for the purpose of at-
tempting to cut the American line of
communication.

Supplies Well Guarded.

An extra heavy guard of infantry-
men, who were given specific instruc-
tions as to their actions in the event
of an attack, was placed on a truck
train, which left here for the front
today. Isolated camps of soldiers
surround the line, and reached by the
field telegraph and ordered to watch
closely for signs of hostile forces.
Lieutenant A. W. Gillison, Twentieth
infantry, of Lexington, Ky., adjutant
of the base, left on the train for Co-
lorado, where he will attempt to
co-operate more closely the work
of the expeditionary force and that of
the base camp.

Americans Slightly Wounded.

Unofficial information also had it
that several scores of Villa's ad-
herents who were captured or wounded
in the engagement at San Geronimo
ranch last Wednesday are expected to
arrive here during the night. This
four American troopers were killed in
the same battle. It was said, suffered
wounds which are not serious enough
to necessitate their being brought
here and probably will be taken to the
field hospital at Casas Grandes for
treatment.

Pay Day for Soldiers.

Approximately \$20,000 was dis-
tributed to the soldiers on station
here, the regular monthly pay day
today. While the usual precautions
were taken to prevent trouble among
the men, the usual pay day excite-
ment in a military camp was com-
pletely absent, the men apparently
realizing the seriousness of the task
before them.

Palomas Abandoned.

When Jesus Sanchez and his daugh-
ter crossed the American line today
at Palomas, the first Mexican town
through which the American troops
passed on the way to the front, they
left without human inhabitants. A
few lonely dogs were howling at the
doors of the huddled little dirty group
of Mexican huts which made up the
town.

Sanchez, 32 years of age, crossed into
the United States in a private school-
bus, such as used by the "forty-niners."
Loaded in it were his household goods,
while from the rear axle swung a
battered under which trotted a stubby-
tailed dog. The horses were hitched
to the wagon by means of harness
fashioned from canvas cartridge belts
discarded by Villistas in their flight
from Columbus. Sanchez said that one
by one the residents had left the town.
He himself, he said, finally left alone.
He was bound for Delmon, N. M., "para
siempre" (for always).

The question of the loyalty of the
Carranza troops has again come very
much to the fore here following per-
sistent reports that Colonel Cana, the
Carranza commander at Namiagua,
has joined Villa.

Andres Garcia, the Carranza con-
sul here, has refused to credit these
reports on the ground that Cana is a
litter personal enemy of Villa, but
he admits that nothing has been heard
from the Namiagua commander for
more than a week.

In the early days of the chase after
Villa, both Consul Garcia and General
Garcia, the commander at Juarez,
made public several telegrams they
said they had received from Cana tell-
ing of fights he had had with the Vil-
listas. These telegrams stopped ab-
ruptly about ten days ago.

The only direct information that
has come from Namiagua since then
has been a paragraph in a dispatch
from General Pershing in which it
was stated that half the garrison at

the town had disappeared and that it
was suspected some of them had joined
Villa.

Carranza who arrived here from
Chihuahua City yesterday asserted
that Colonel Cana was with the Vil-
listas defeated near Guerrero by
Colonel Dorr, but they admitted that
their only basis for the story was
street gossip in Chihuahua.

CASAS GRANDES TRAIN

ARRIVES AT BORDER

El Paso, Tex., April 2.—The first
train to arrive from the Casas Gran-
des region in a week pulled into Juarez
today from Pearson, thirty miles south
of the military base established by
General Pershing at Colonia Dublan.
Several Carranza colonists were on
the train but they threw no light on
the veil of mystery which has enveloped
the operations of the American
troops since the decisive defeat inflicted
on the Villistas last Wednesday by
Colonel Dorr. They reported that
everything was quiet at Pearson and
Casas Grandes and that the Mexicans
had apparently become reconciled to
the presence of American troops on
Mexican soil. Mexican merchants were
selling their goods freely to American
soldiers, the colonists said, and were
more interested in the American cur-
rency system than in the pursuit of
Villa.

There is no indication here that
American military authorities have any
anxiety over the supply problem for
the troops at the front. No at-
tempt has yet been made to ship food
or forage to the Mexican Northwest-
ern railroad. No train has left Juarez
for Casas Grandes for over a week
and none is expected to move for at
least a couple of days.

There is no indication here that
American military authorities have any
anxiety over the supply problem for
the troops at the front. No at-
tempt has yet been made to ship food
or forage to the Mexican Northwest-
ern railroad. No train has left Juarez
for Casas Grandes for over a week
and none is expected to move for at
least a couple of days.

FURIOUS DRIVE AT VERDUN BY THE GERMANS IS MAKING GAINS

Crown Prince's Forces Pene- trate Woods Just Outside Fort Douaumont; Partly Ex- pelled by Counter Attack.

ASSAULT ON AVOCOURT CHECKED BY FRENCH

Many Aerial Activities Occur, With Conflicting Reports From Paris and Berlin as to Results.

BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE

The Germans are still carrying on
strong offensive operations northeast
and northwest of Verdun. About
four and one-half miles northeast of
Verdun, the French penetrated the
Caillette wood just outside Fort
Douaumont after a violent bombard-
ment.

From part of this wood the French,
in an immediate counter-attack,
drove back the invaders.

Another powerful attack was deliv-
ered against that portion of the Avocourt
wood held by the French, but here the
French barrier fire and machine guns
held the Germans without gain.

The French now have entirely
evacuated the village of Vaux and
have drawn their line south of the
town, but in its immediate outskirts,
between Malancourt and La-
mort Homme, the Germans have en-
tirely cleared the French from about
1,000 yards of trenches, where they
had remained since the German vic-
tory on this sector, March 31.

On the other sectors about Verdun
there have been only intermittent
bombardments, artillery duels have
characterized the fighting along the
remainder of the front.

Aircraft Are Active.

Aircraft have been very active
around Verdun. The French brought
down three German machines, but
Berlin asserts that the aerial combats
have resulted in their favor.

Greater activity than usual has
been displayed in the fighting be-
tween the Germans and Russians in
the region of Baranovich, southwest
of Minsk. Elsewhere on the Russian
front the situation is unchanged.

Submarine Exploits.

Three British and one Norwegian
steamers have been sunk by subma-
rines or mines. Two of the British
boats, the liner Achilles and the Ash-
burton, were on their way to London
from Australasian ports. The British
steamer Goldmouth was on a voyage
to London from Texas with oil. The
Norwegian boat was the Peter Hamre.
She was sunk while at anchor off
her crew of fifteen, only one man
escaped.

Four members of the crew of the
Achilles are missing, two of the crew
of the Goldmouth were wounded
when landed and five members of
the crew of the Ashburton were taken
to a hospital suffering from shrapnel
wounds.

Scotland and the northern and
southeastern counties of England
have received visitations from Zep-
pelin airships, which dropped some
bombs at various places.

In air raid on the northeast coast
of England, Friday and Saturday
nights, fifty-nine persons were killed
and 146 wounded.

FRENCH OFFICIAL

REPORT OF FIGHTING

Paris, April 2 (11:40 p. m.).—The
Germans launched heavy attacks
again today against the French posi-
tions to the west and east of the
Meuse. To the west the attacks were
repulsed but to the east, in the
neighborhood of Fort Douaumont, the
assaulting forces were able to pene-
trate the Caillette wood, lying to the
south. From the northern part of the
wood they were almost immediately
ejected by French counter-attacks.

The official statement on these op-
erations issued tonight by the war of-
fice reads:

"Between the Somme and the Oise
our artillery was particularly active
in the region of Parvillers, Poques-
court and Lassigny, where German
trenches were shattered by our fire.

"West of the Meuse, the Germans
launched several powerful attacks on
a corner of the Avocourt woods. All
the assaults were repulsed by the fire
of our machine guns.

"To the east of the Meuse, the ac-
tion was very spirited throughout the
day in the region of Douaumont and
Vaux. The Germans, after a bom-
bardment of extreme violence, with
shells of heavy caliber, directed four
simultaneous attacks with effectives
of more than one division on our po-
sitions between Fort Douaumont and
the village of Vaux. Southeast of
Fort Douaumont they penetrated Cail-
lette wood, but our counter-attacks,
delivered immediately, drove them
back in the northern part of the wood.
South of Vaux our line runs along the
immediate outskirts of the village, the
last mined houses of which we have
evacuated.

"In the Woivre there has been in-
termittent artillery action. In the
Boise Le Petre, an aviator brought
down by our special guns, fell within
the German lines.

"The evening the fire of our bat-
teries caused the explosion of a munition
deposited east of Reich Ackerkopf,
west of Meusecourt.

"Last night a bombardment squadron
dropped twenty-eight shells on the
railway station at Etain and the

FEAR VILLA HAS ELUDED FORCES UNDER PERSHING

Funston Hears That Carranza
Colonel and Considerable
Number of Men Have Re-
volted and Joined Bandit.

BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE

San Antonio, Tex., April 2.—Un-
less Carranza is definitely located
within the next day or two it is be-
lieved here that General Pershing
will begin a dosed search for him
in the mountains west and south of
Guerrero.

Since the defeat of Villa's forces,
March 29, in and near Guerrero,
General Pershing has had lightly
equipped detachments of cavalry
sweeping in whirlwind fashion
through the headwaters of the Sta-
ta Maria river, in efforts to locate
the elusive bandit, reported to have
gone in that direction after being
desperately wounded.

May Not Be Wounded.

General Pershing did not get a re-
port through to General Funston to-
day but his chief of staff reported,
indicating that the line of communi-
cation was being maintained and no
mention of news of Villa was made.
There is increasing belief that Gen-
eral Pershing may have been deceived
in regard to the direction taken by
Villa and even concerning his injur-
ies. Some reports indicate that he
was not injured at all and instead
of going northeast of Guerrero he
had moved into the hills to the south
and east, a direction American army
officers had expected him to take.

Will Search Region.

The new information is not re-
garded as more credible than that
which caused the cordon of troops
to be drawn across every exit from
the district northeast of Guerrero,
and it was believed here that Gen-
eral Pershing would not adopt any
plan until he had thoroughly
satisfied himself Villa was not in the
indicated region.

Failure to run Villa down since
Wednesday strengthened the belief
that he is south of the railroad and
if General Pershing has to send his
cavalry and cavalry into that coun-
try, broken by mountains and sparsely
settled, it was realized that slow
progress would be made.

Wait for Carranza News.

News from Mexican sources that
Carranza's force had proven his prom-
ise of co-operation by preventing Vil-
la's escape into the mountains was
anxious awaited at headquarters as
but little information as to the op-
erations of the Mexican government
troops has been received and that
only in an unofficial manner. Gen-
eral Funston today was in receipt of
a state plan until he had thoroughly
satisfied himself Villa was not in the
indicated region.

Another story out of Mexico that
was given credence at army head-
quarters was that Villa was headed
for Chihuahua. The advanced cav-
alry of General Pershing is not far
from Chihuahua.

59 ARE KILLED 116 WOUNDED IN ZEPPELIN NIGHT RAIDS ON LONDON

German Aerial Attacks Reap
Heavy Toll; One Bombard-
ing Airship Is Destroyed,
Crew Captured.

BRITISH AVIATOR IN SPECTACULAR DEFENSE

Lieut. Brandon, Flying Over
Raider at Height of 9,000
Feet, Drops Bomb on Teu-
ton Invaders.

STILL ANOTHER RAID

SCORED BY ZEPPELINS

London, April 3.—The coast
of Scotland and the northern
and southeastern counties of
England were attacked by Zep-
pelin Sunday night, according to
an official announcement by the
secretary of war.

The announcement says:

"A Zeppelin raid took place
Sunday night when the coast of
Scotland and the northern and
southeastern counties of Eng-
land were attacked.

"Bombs were dropped at vari-
ous places. No details are avail-
able."

"The raid was the third in as
many successive nights. Read-
ers reached the coast of Scot-
land—the first time they had
been over that country and the
farthest north Zeppelins had
yet traveled. Other raiders vis-
ited northern and southern
counties of England. Although
many bombs were dropped, of-
ficial details were lacking up
to the time of the filing of this
dispatch as to the number of
the raiders, the casualties result-
ing from their bombs or the
damage done.

BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE

London, April 2 (10:50 p. m.).—
With the exception of the big air raid
of January 31, when the casualties
were sixty-seven persons killed and
117 injured, the Zeppelin raids of
Friday and Saturday nights caused
greater loss of life than any previous
aerial attack this year.

The total casualties for the two
nights, according to an official re-
port, were fifty-nine persons killed
and 146 wounded.

As some compensation for this sac-
rifice of life, however, the British
public funds satisfaction in practical
proof afforded of a great improve-
ment in the defensive methods deal-
ing with aerial incursions. For the
first time since the inception of this
method of warfare on the British
coast, not only has one raiding Zep-
pelin been brought down, but a crew
taken prisoner, but the official report
counts an exciting aerial fight be-
tween a Zeppelin and a British air-
man, Lieutenant Brandon, who,
mounting to a height of 9,000 feet,
flew over the raider and dropped sev-
eral bombs on it with effect.

Brandon's Machine Hit.

The machine of Lieutenant Bran-
don was hit several times by machine
gun bullets from the Zeppelin. It is
still unknown whether the Zeppelin
in this fight was the L-15, which was
brought down off the Thames estuary,
or another craft which is be-
lieved to have dropped its machine
gun, petrol tank and other parts.

There had been constant agitation
in the newspapers for British airmen
to ascend and attack Zeppelins, and
the fact that this now has been suc-
cessfully done, gives promise of still
greater achievements in the same di-
rection. At the same time, it will
tend to increase public confidence
that the authorities are making seri-
ous efforts to deal with the
Zeppelin danger.

Crippled Zeppelin Sighted.

In connection with Lieutenant
Brandon's exploit, is an uncon-
firmed but interesting report from
Copenhagen that a Danish fishing ves-
sel observed at great distance in the
North sea what appeared to be a
half-submerged Zeppelin. The au-
thorities express the hope that this
may prove to be the machine that
Lieutenant Brandon had sighted.